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Price, \$2 PER MONTH.

Banks.

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL, \$7,500,000
RESERVE FUND, \$4,500,000
RESERVE FOR REDEMPTION, \$200,000
OF DIVIDENDS, \$200,000
RESERVE LIABILITY OF PROPRIETORS, \$7,500,000

COURT OF DIRECTORS.
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INTEREST ALLOWED.
On Current Deposit Account at the rate of 2 per cent. per annum on the daily balance.
On Fixed Deposits—
For 3 months, 3 per cent. per annum.
For 6 months, 4 per cent. per annum.
For 12 months, 5 per cent. per annum.

LOCAL BILLS DISCOUNTED.
Orders granted on approved Securities, and every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted.
Drafts granted on London, and the chief Commercial places in Europe, India, Australia, America, China and Japan.

JOHN WALTER,
Acting Chief Manager.
Hongkong, August 28, 1886. 1947

NOTICE.

RULES OF THE HONGKONG SAVINGS' BANK.

- 1.—The business of the above Bank will be conducted by the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, on their premises in Hongkong. Business hours on week-days, 10 to 3; Saturdays, 10 to 1.
- 2.—Sums less than \$1. or more than \$250 at one time will not be received. No depositor may deposit more than \$2,500 in any one year.
- 3.—Depositors in the Savings' Bank having \$100 or more at their credit may at their option transfer the same to the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation on fixed deposit for 12 months at 5 per cent. per annum interest.
- 4.—Interest at the rate of 3 per cent. per annum will be allowed to depositors on their daily balances.
- 5.—Each Depositor will be supplied gratis with a Pass-Book which must be presented with each payment or withdrawal. Depositors must not make any entries themselves in their Pass-Books but should send them to the written up at least twice a year, about the beginning of January and beginning of July.
- 6.—Correspondence as to the business of the Bank if marked on Hongkong Savings' Bank Business is forwarded free by the various British Post Offices in Hongkong and China.
- 7.—Withdrawals may be made on demand, but the personal attendance of the depositor or his duly appointed agent, and the production of his Pass-Book are necessary.

For the
HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION,
JOHN WALTER,
Acting Chief Manager.
Hongkong, June 7, 1886. 1764

Notice of Firm.

NOTICE.

WE have authorized Mr. ED. MILLER to Sign Bills of LADING in our Name from this date.

SIEMSEN & Co.
Hongkong, November 20, 1886. 2274

Intimations.

NOTICE.

THE Chief Rabbi in Jerusalem having commissioned Rabbi GIBELIA SEAR JOSEPHSON to go abroad for the purpose of raising Subscriptions for the FAMINE CHARITABLE FUND instituted to relieve the large numbers of starving Jews who took shelter in their modest habitations expelled from Russian Territory, Rabbi JOSEPHSON now appeals to the Charity of the Residents of Hongkong, and Shanghai and the other Coast Ports of China for liberal Donations to relieve the immediate wants of the Sufferers. Deeds of Human Charity of this nature are only to be brought to the blessing of the Almighty on the creature, and those whose tender-hearted feelings may lead them to condescend with the sufferers by this calamity will find their own reward in the soothing reflection that they have done something towards alleviating the distress of their fellow creatures. Any Donations which may be given may be sent to Mr. E. ORADAYA, of Messrs. E. D. SASSON & Co., who has been kind enough to undertake the collection.
Hongkong, December 14, 1886. 2378

CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

IN accordance with Section 120 of the Articles of Association, the General Meeting of the Company, called for the purpose of issuing INTEREST WARRANTS of \$5 per Share, Payable at the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank, the same being at the Rate of 10 per Cent. per Annum on the Paid-up Capital of the Office for the year 1886, and Notice is hereby given that in Order that the same may be adjusted, the Transfer BOOKS of the Office will be CLOSED from the 18th to the 31st Instant, both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
General Agents,
CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE, LIMITED.
Hongkong, December 15, 1886. 2386

Business Notices.

CHRISTMAS!!

LONDON NOVELTIES

ARE NOW MAKING THEIR ANNUAL SHOW OF
NOVELTIES
IN
FANCY GOODS
SUITABLE FOR
CHRISTMAS PRESENTS.

This Year's ASSORTMENT has been carefully Selected, from the Leading LONDON AND PARIS HOUSES, and is the FINEST COLLECTION EVER SEEN IN HONGKONG.

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P P P R R R E E E S S S E E E N N N T T T S S S
P P P R R R E E E S S S E E E N N N T T T S S S

of all Kinds both **USEFUL** and **ORNAMENTAL**, and all of the Best Money Value.

FANCY CHINA ORNAMENTS,
THE NEWEST TABLE DECORATIONS,
TABLE LAMPS WITH FANCY VASES,
MENU and NAME TABLETS,
FLOWER BASKETS and BOWLS.

INLAID AND CARVED ONYX WARE

CABINET FRAMES, TOILET SETS, INKSTANDS and PAPER KNIVES,
'TANTALUS' LOOK-UP SPIRIT FRAMES and PERFUME STANDS,
DOULTON WARE, ORCHID WARE, IVORY WARE,
DRESDEN WARE and ARTISTIC GLASS WARE.

Painted Mirror Cheval Screens in Brass Frames.

Painted Mirror Panels in Plush Frames.

ROSE PAINTED CHINA, PASSION FLOWER CHINA, OUT GLASS PERFUME BOTTLES,
FLORAL-FRAMED TABLE MIRRORS, PRETTY STATUETTES,
NEW CRYSTAL ICE BOWLS, CIGAR CABINETS,
FANCY TABLE BELLS.

ARTISTIC EMBOSSED LEATHER

IN A VARIETY OF USEFUL LITTLE PRESENTS, ALSO IN

MOROCCO, RUSSIAN, PERSIAN, IVORY LEATHER,
ANTIQUE LEATHER AND FLUSH.

CIGAR AND CIGARETTE CASES, PHOTOGRAPH and SCRAP ALBUMS,
TABLE PORTRAIT STANDS, LADIES' JEWEL CASES,
TOURIST and BOUDOIR WRITING CASES, DESPATCH BOXES,
DAVENPORT BLOTTER PADS, NEW BIRTHDAY BOOKS,
NOTE CASES and POCKET BOOKS, WORK BOXES and BASKETS,
FITTED WORK COMPANIONS, SCISSORS in FANCY CASES,
CARD CASES and TABLETS, PURSES and SACHETS.

LADIES' FANCY STATIONERY.

POCKET PENCILS and WATCH CHAINS. OPERA GLASSES.
NEW LAMP SHADES. BOOK SLIDES.
PAINTED PHOTOGRAPHS. PHOTOGRAPHIC VIEWS.

The Newest Cabinet Photo-Frames.

PRAYER BOOKS, HYMN BOOKS AND CHURCH SERVICES.

— Also —
HANDSOMELY BOUND PRESENTATION BOOKS,

for Children or Adults.

SMOKERS' SUNDRIES.

TOBACCO POUCHES. CIGAR CUTTERS. TOBACCO JARS. CIGAR LIGHTERS.
Silver-Mounted Briar and Meerschaum Pipes.
CIGAR AND CIGARETTE HOLDERS in CASES.

THE MANILAS.

(THE FINEST CIGAR possible to procure, in perfect condition.)

CHRISTMAS & NEW YEAR CARDS.

AN ENTIRE NEW STOCK OF ELECTRO-PLATED WARE, including many Novelties and all of guaranteed First Class quality.—LANE, CRAWFORD & Co. beg to call special attention to this department: it is well worth a visit, and cannot be equalled by any other House in China or Japan.

FANCY UPHOLSTERY and FURNISHING DRAPERY. Ladies intending to purchase some useful presents should pay a visit to this department; all the new WINTER NOVELTIES have arrived and are well worthy of inspection.

PRESENTATION LAWN TENNIS SETS.

IN-DOOR GAMES.

NEW SONGS & DANCE MUSIC.
PRESENTS FOR THE YOUNGSTERS.

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.

Hongkong, December 6, 1886.

See advertisements in the other local papers.

Business Notices.

Victoria Hotel,

Praya and Queen's Road Central, Hongkong.

THIS extensive and well-appointed Establishment, situated in one of the most central and airy positions in the Colony and commanding a splendid view of almost the entire harbour and within five minutes' walk of the principal Government Offices (including the Post Office), Banks, &c., has recently been much enlarged and improved and is now one of the principal Hotels in the place. The ROOMS are spacious, well ventilated and have just been refurnished in a most comfortable and handsome manner, suited to the requirements of the Far East. The Accommodation and Service of every kind will be found to be of the best description. An ample and varied TABLE D'HOTE is always provided and served in the spacious, large DINING HALL. The HOTEL also contains handsome and comfortable Reception, READING, BILLIARD and SMOOKING ROOMS. The HOTEL is unsurpassed for comfort, convenience and quick service. Continental languages are spoken.

Messrs. DORABJEE & HING KEE,
Proprietors.

Hongkong, September 16, 1886. 1612

KELLY & WALSH, LD.

HAVE RECEIVED
CHRISTMAS NUMBER 'ILLUSTRATED NEWS', containing a complete Novel by Bret Harte, entitled a 'Millionaire of Rough and Ready', and large coloured Picture 'Little Miss Muffet'.
XMAS NUMBER 'GRAPHIC', containing a complete Novel by David Christie Murray, entitled 'Ball Dog and Butterfly', and large coloured Picture 'Voices, Tally Ho!'.
XMAS No. ILLUSTRATED SPORTING and DRAMATIC NEWS.
ILLUSTRATED LONDON NEWS ALMANACK 1887.
IMPERIAL ENGLISH and CHINESE DIARY 1887: Foolscap size, 3 days to a page, interlarded with Blotting Paper, containing Customs Tariff for China, Postal Information, E. E. A. & C. T. Co.'s, and G. N. Co.'s Telegraph Rates, Chinese Holidays, and Festivals, Wages Table in Dollars and Taels—Price, \$1.
IMPERIAL ENGLISH and CHINESE DATE BLOCK 1887, superseding in get-up and legibility all Anglo-Chinese Date Blocks, previously issued—Price, 75 Cents.
LETTS' DIARIES and DATE BLOCKS.

Boys' Own Annual—Gifts Over Annual—Every Boy's Magazine—Every Girl's Magazine—Harper's Young People—Chatterbox—Children's Friend—Infant's Magazine—Little Wide Awake, and all the best Children's VOLUMES FOR THE YEAR.
KELLY & WALSH, LIMITED, HONGKONG. 2333

W. POWELL & Co.

CHRISTMAS 1886.

W. POWELL & Co. respectfully call attention to their LARGE and EXTENSIVE STOCK of
Toys! Toys!! Toys!!!
Toys of every description suitable for BOYS and GIRLS.
Over 300 DOLLS to select from.
Special advantages offered to Purchasers of \$10.00 worth.
CHRISTMAS TREE parcels \$10.00, \$15.00, \$20.00, \$25.00 made up and numbered in 24 hours' notice.

W. POWELL & Co.

Hongkong, December 15, 1886. 2376

THE BON MARCHE.

(CHEAP MARKET.)
ADJOINING THE STAG HOTEL (Next Door).
CONSISTING OF A STOCK OF FANCY AND USEFUL ARTICLES,
At Cash Prices and for Cash only.
Pipes, TOBACCO, CIGARS, BOOKS, NOVELS, MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS, ALBUMS, KNIVES, CUTLERY, LEATHER GOODS, CLOCKS, and a varied Stock of FANCY GOODS of all kinds.
BON MARCHE, next door to THE STAG HOTEL.
Hongkong, September 8, 1886. 1739

ROBERT LANG & Co.,

Tailors, Hatters, Shirtmakers & General Outfitters,
QUEEN'S ROAD (OPPOSITE HONGKONG HOTEL).

ARE SHOWING

A CHOICE SELECTION OF

OVER COATINGS,

to which they INVITE the attention of their Customers.

SPECIALTY

Superfine Black Cloth Dress Suit,

\$30.00.

Hongkong, December 1, 1886. 2283

Intimations.

REGATTA HOLIDAYS.

THE Undermentioned BANKS will be CLOSED for the Transaction of Public Business, at Noon, on THURSDAY, FRIDAY and SATURDAY, the 16th, 17th and 18th Instant.

For the 'Chartered Mercantile Bank of India, London and China'.
R. L. SYMES,
p. Manager, Hongkong.

For the 'Chartered Bank of India, Australia and China'.
A. G. MARSHALL,
Sub-Manager, Hongkong.

For the 'Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation'.
JOHN WALTER,
Acting Chief Manager.

For the 'Comptoir d'Escompte de Paris'.
C. O. INCHBALD,
Agent.

For the New 'Oriental Bank Corporation, Limited'.
H. A. HERBERT,
Manager, Hongkong.

Hongkong, December 16, 1886. 2350

HONGKONG CLUB.

NOTICE.

AN Extraordinary General Meeting of the MEMBERS of the CLUB will be held in the Club House on TUESDAY, 21st December, at 4.30 p.m., for the purpose of Confirming the Resolutions passed at the Extraordinary General Meeting on the 2nd Instant.

By Order of the General Committee,
C. H. GRACE,
Secretary.

Hongkong, December 14, 1886. 2374

SAILOR'S HOME.

ANY Cash or Clothing, Books, or Papers will be thankfully received at the Sailor's Home, West Point.
Hongkong, July 26, 1878.

Intimations.

HONGKONG RACES, 1887.

WEDNESDAY, THURSDAY & FRIDAY, the 23rd, 24th, and 25th February.

HONGKONG DERBY.

THE HONGKONG DERBY, a SWEEPSTAKES of \$20 each, half forfeit if declared on or before the date of Closing Entries, with \$100 added for 1st Pony and \$50 for 2nd. For all China Ponies bred in the Colony at date of Entry (SATURDAY, the 22nd January, 1887), First Pony 70 per cent., Second Pony 20 per cent., and Third Pony 10 per cent. Weight 10st. 10lbs. Distance, One Mile and a Half.

NOTIFICATIONS close on SATURDAY, the 18th December, 1886, addressed to the Clerk of the Course, at the Hongkong Club.
By Order: J. GRANT,
Acting Clerk of the Course.

Hongkong, November 6, 1886. 2114

TENDERS are INVITED for the SUPPLY of One JUNK with Steam Propeller for Navigation on the Upper Red River, Tonkin.

The proposed contract with descriptions, specifications, etc., and also a model of the Junk are kept at the FRENCH CONSULATE, where further Particulars can be obtained by parties wishing to tender.

J. RIGAREAU,
Acting Consul for France.

December 16th, 1886. 2384

KUHN & Co's

JAPANESE ART TREASURES

will shortly be EXHIBITED in Hongkong at the

NEW PREMISES

in

BANK BUILDINGS, opposite the HONGKONG HOTEL.

Hongkong, December 14, 1886. 2376

Intimations.

VICTORIA REGATTA.

THIRTY-FIRST MEETING.

Patron:—His Excellency W. H. Marsh, C.M.G.
Vice-Patrons:—His Excellency Vice-Admiral Vesey Hamilton, C.B., R.N.; His Excellency Major-General Cameron, C.B.; The Honourable Sir George Phillips, K.C.; Commodore Mount, R.N.; Stewards:—Colonel Anderson, Northamptonshire Regt.; Honourable J. Bell-Irving, W. M. Deane, Esq.; D. Gillies, Esq.; Major-General Gordon; Captain Harris, R.N.; H. Hoppus, Esq.; E. H. M. Huntington, Esq.; R. G. Mitchell, Esq.; Commodore McQuinn, R.N.; G. Stewart, Esq.; Colonel Storey, R.E.; Honourable H. G. Thomsen, R.N.
Committee:—Honourable A. P. MacKean, (Chairman); G. D. Kinnear, Esq.; A. Denison, Esq.; M. Falconer, Esq.; J. Clague, Esq.; Commander McQuinn, R.N.; J. H. R. Ray, Esq.; and E. Burnie, Esq.
Judges of the Sailing Races:—Lieut. Kelwin, R.N.

THIRD DAY.

Saturday, 18th December, 1886.

1st RACE.—12.30 P.M.—SENIOR SCULLS. For Single Pair Sculling Boats. Entrance, \$5. Distance, One Mile.

2nd RACE.—1.00 P.M.—FOR MERCHANT VESSELS' GIGS. Distance, One Mile. Entrance \$1. First Prize, \$15; Second, \$5.

3rd RACE.—1.30 P.M.—PROFESSIONAL CUT. (Open to crews composed of Professional, Mercantile, and Trades Fours). German Cup. Distance, One Mile. Entrance, \$10.

4th RACE.—2.00 P.M.—TO BE ROWED IN GIGS. (Open to Naval and Military Officers of all Nationalities). Distance, One Mile. Time for Cash. For Cash only.

5th RACE.—2.30 P.M.—AMERICAN CUT. For Four Oars. Distance, One Mile. Entrance, \$10.

6th RACE.—3.00 P.M.—FOR HEAVY GIGS pulled by European Non-Commissioned Officers and Men of any Regiment or Corps in Garrison, or by European Members of the Police Force. The Boats to be approved by the Committee. Time allowed for Oars. Distance, One Mile. Entrance, \$1. First Prize, \$15; Second, \$5. (Winner of 2nd Race, First Day, excluded).

7th RACE.—3.30 P.M.—EXTRA RACE. For Canton Fours. (Open to Griffins and Rowers not picked in the other Club Races). Distance, One Mile. Entrance, \$10.

SAILING RACE.—FOR ALL OPEN BOATS. (Chinese excluded). Entrance, \$1. First Prize, \$10; Second, \$5.

YACHT RACES.—FOR YACHTS OVER 10 TONS. Entrance, \$5. Time for tennage. Cup presented by the Victoria Recreation Club.

FOR YACHTS UNDER 10 TONS. Entrance, \$5. Time for tennage. Cup presented by the Victoria Recreation Club.

N.B.—Entries for Race 2 (First Day), 1 (Second Day), 6 (Third Day) close on Tuesday, the 14th instant at 6 p.m., and must be sent in writing to the Hon. Secretary, Victoria Regatta, at the Regatta Office, or to the Hon. Secretary, at the Regatta Office, or to the Hon. Secretary, at the Regatta Office, or to the Hon. Secretary, at the Regatta Office.

Entries for the Open Sailing Race to Mr. Burnie, on or before Tuesday, the 14th instant.

J. H. STEWART LOCKHART,
Hon. Secretary,
VICTORIA RECREATION CLUB.
Hongkong, December 7, 1886. 2323

NOTICE.

VICTORIA REGATTA.

THROUGH the Courtesy of Mr. GILLIES, the Secretary of this Dock Company, the Fish will be landed at the Victoria Wharf on THURSDAY, FRIDAY, and SATURDAY, the 16th, 17th and 18th Instant, at 12 Noon and 12.45 p.m., for the FLAGSHIP, which will be moored off Kowloon Point, and will return to the Victoria Wharf after the Last Race on each day.

TIFFIN will be provided on Board immediately after the First Race.

J. H. STEWART LOCKHART,
Hon. Secretary,
VICTORIA RECREATION CLUB.
Hongkong, December 14, 1886. 2372

NOTICE.

VICTORIA REGATTA.

THE COMMITTEE of the VICTORIA RECREATION CLUB request the pleasure of the COMPANY of the LADIES of HONGKONG on board the FLAGSHIP at the Regatta Office, on THURSDAY, FRIDAY and SATURDAY, the 16th, 17th and 18th Instant.

SUBSCRIBERS to the REGATTA can obtain Tickets of Admission to the FLAGSHIP on application to Mr. T. W. WRIGHT, Esq., Hon. Treasurer, Hongkong and Shanghai Bank.

J. H. STEWART LOCKHART,
Hon. Secretary.

Hongkong, December 11, 1886. 2361

HONGKONG HIGH-LEVEL TRAMWAYS COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that a General Meeting of the Company will be held at the COMPANY'S OFFICES, No. 36, Queen's Road Central, on THURSDAY, the 23rd December, 1886, at 11 o'clock Fornoon.

MADEWEN, FRICKEL & Co.,
General Managers.

Hongkong, December 8, 1886. 2355

WASHING BOOKS.

(In English and Chinese.)

WASHBURN'S BOOKS, for the use of Ladies and Gentlemen, can now be had at this Office. Price, \$1 each.

CHINA MAIL OFFICE.

Shipping.

Steamers.

NETHERLANDS INDIA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.
FOR BATAVIA, SAMARANG AND SOERABAYA, VIA SAIGON AND SINGAPORE.



The Co.'s Steamship *Deventer*, Capt. Houtzner, will be despatched as above on SATURDAY, the 18th Instant, at Noon.
For Freight or Passage, apply to JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Agents.
Hongkong, December 16, 1886. 2368

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR AMOY AND TAIWANFOO.



The Co.'s Steamship *Formosa*, Captain Harris, will be despatched as above on SATURDAY, the 18th Instant, at Noon.
For Freight or Passage, apply to DOUGLAS LARPAIK & Co., General Managers.
Hongkong, December 16, 1886. 2393

FOR SHANGHAI.



The Steamship *Peking*, Capt. HEDERMAN, will be despatched as above on SATURDAY, the 18th Instant, at 4 p.m.
For Freight or Passage, apply to SIEMSEN & Co., Agents.
Hongkong, December 16, 1886. 2392

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR LONDON VIA SUEZ CANAL.



The Co.'s Steamship *Glasgow*, Captain HANNAH, will be despatched as above on SATURDAY, the 18th Instant.
For Freight or Passage, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.
Hongkong, December 14, 1886. 2371

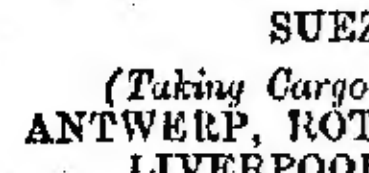
DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY & FOCHOW.



The Co.'s Steamship *Thales*, Capt. GOSWAMI, will be despatched as above on SATURDAY, the 19th Instant, at Daylight.
For Freight or Passage, apply to DOUGLAS LARPAIK & Co., General Managers.
Hongkong, December 15, 1886. 2379

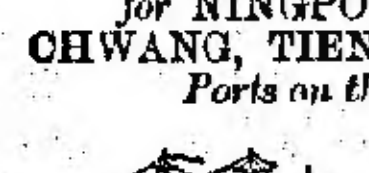
FOR SINGAPORE, HAVRE, AMSTERDAM AND HAMBURG, VIA SUEZ CANAL.



(Taking Cargo at through rates to ANTWERP, ROTTERDAM, LONDON, LIVERPOOL AND BREMEN.)
The Steamship *Niebo*, Captain FRANK, will be despatched as above on SUNDAY, the 19th Instant, at 4 p.m.
For Freight or Passage, apply to SIEMSEN & Co., Agents.
Hongkong, December 12, 1886. 2358

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR SHANGHAI VIA AMOY.



(Taking Cargo at through rates for NINGPO, CHEFOO, NEW-CHOWANG, TIENTSIN, HANKOW and Ports on the YANGTZE.)
The Co.'s Steamship *Prima*, Captain BUTLER, will be despatched as above on SUNDAY, the 19th Instant.
For Freight or Passage, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.
Hongkong, December 10, 1886. 2343

THE CHINA & MANILA STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

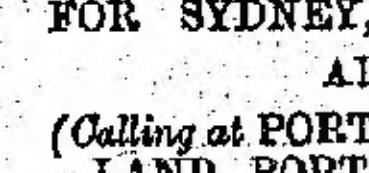
FOR MANILA VIA AMOY.



The Co.'s Steamship *Zebrus*, Captain TAYLOR, will be despatched as above on MONDAY, the 20th Instant, at 5 p.m.
For Freight or Passage, apply to RUSSELL & Co., General Managers.
Hongkong, December 15, 1886. 2387

EASTERN AND AUSTRALIAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

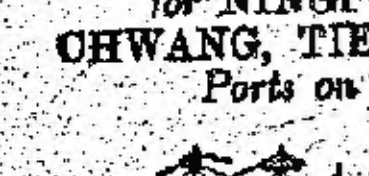
FOR SYDNEY, MELBOURNE AND ADELAIDE.



(Calling at PORT DARWIN & QUEENSLAND PORTS, and taking through cargo to NEW ZEALAND, TASMANIA, &c.)
The Steamship *Onitria*, Capt. SHANNON, will be despatched as above on WEDNESDAY, the 22nd Instant, at Noon.
For Freight or Passage, apply to RUSSELL & Co., Agents.
Hongkong, December 9, 1886. 2357

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR SHANGHAI VIA AMOY.



(Taking Cargo at through rates for NINGPO, CHEFOO, NEW-CHOWANG, TIENTSIN, HANKOW and Ports on the YANGTZE.)
The Co.'s Steamship *Stentor*, Capt. EDWARDS, will be despatched as above on FRIDAY, the 24th Instant.
For Freight or Passage, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.
Hongkong, December 16, 1886. 2390

Shipping.

Steamers.

NAVIGAZIONE GENERALE ITALIANA
(FIORIO & RUBATINO UNITED COMPANIES.)

STEAM FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, BOMBAY, ADEN, SUEZ, PORT SAID, MESSINA, NAPLES, LEGHORN, AND GENOA.

(Taking Cargo at through rates to MADRAS, PERSIAN GULF, BAGDAD, all MEDITERRANEAN, ADRIATIC and LEVANTINE PORTS; ALEXANDRIA, GENOVA, MARSEILLE, and also to BUENOS AYRES, MONTEVIDEO, VALPARAISO and CALLAO.)
The Co.'s Steamship *D. Balduino*, Capt. G. DOMINGO, will be despatched as above on MONDAY, the 20th Instant.
The Steamer has splendid Accommodation for Passengers and carries a Doctor and Stewards.
For further Particulars regarding Freight and Passage, apply to CARLOWITZ & Co., Agents.
Hongkong, December 11, 1886. 2356

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR SHANGHAI.

(Taking Cargo at through rates for NINGPO, CHEFOO, NEW-CHOWANG, TIENTSIN, HANKOW and Ports on the YANGTZE.)
The Co.'s Steamship *Edmunds*, Captain JONES, will be despatched as above on SATURDAY, the 25th Instant.
For Freight or Passage, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.
Hongkong, December 16, 1886. 2391

Sailing Vessels.

FOR SAN FRANCISCO.

The S/S L.I. American Ship *Harlequin*, Captain MASTER, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.
For Freight, apply to RUSSELL & Co., Agents.
Hongkong, December 4, 1886. 2310

FOR NEW YORK.

The S/S L.I. Amer. Schooner *Harlequin*, Captain MASTER, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.
For Freight, apply to RUSSELL & Co., Agents.
Hongkong, December 6, 1886. 2321

NOTICES TO CONSIGNEES.

NETHERLANDS INDIA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.
FROM SOERABAYA, SAMARANG, BATAVIA, SINGAPORE AND SAIGON.

THE Company's S.S. *Bantam* having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo by her are hereby informed that their Goods will be accepted at their risk into Messrs. JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.'s Godown, West Point, whence delivery may be obtained.
Cargo remaining undelivered after the 23rd Instant will be subject to rent.
No Fire Insurance has been effected.
Bills of Lading will be countersigned by JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Agents.
Hongkong, December 16, 1886. 2387

STEAMSHIP AMAZONE.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo per above Steamer are hereby informed that their Goods will be accepted at their risk into Messrs. JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.'s Godown, West Point, whence delivery may be obtained.
Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the Undersigned.
Goods remaining undelivered after TUESDAY, the 21st December, at Noon, will be subject to rent.
All Claims must be sent in to me on or before TUESDAY, the 23rd December, or they will not be recognized.
No Fire Insurance has been effected.
G. DE CHAMPEAUX, Agent.
Hongkong, December 14, 1886. 2369

Not Responsible for Debts.

Neither the Captain, the Agents, nor Owners will be Responsible for any Debt contracted by the Officers or Crew of the following Vessels, during their stay in Hongkong Harbour:
ADELPHI, German brig, Captain John Focke, Schellhas & Co.
AURORA, British 3-masted schooner, Capt. R. Bright, Master.
CLARA BARVAN, British barque, Capt. Wm. Brown, Chinese.
ELSA, German brig, Capt. E. Schwarz, Chinese.
EVA, American ship, Capt. J. T. Soule, Master.
FRED. P. LUTHERFIELD, Am. barque, Capt. O. O. Young, Gonfres & Co.
HYDRA, British schooner, Capt. O. Olin, Captain.
INDEPENDENCE, British barque, Capt. James Hayes, Master.
JOHN O. POSTER, American ship, Capt. H. Curtis, Order.
JOHN TRADER, British ship, Capt. Thos. Ryan, Messageries Maritimes.
SARAH HENNETT, American ship, Capt. A. Morgan, Ed. Schellhas & Co.
STRAIGHTEN, British steamer, Capt. Wm. Hutton, Arnold, Kerberg & Co.
YERUSA, Spanish barque, Captain R. Salvat, Remedios & Co.

Auctions.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to Sell by Public Auction, on MONDAY,

the 20th December, 1886, at Noon, at the MESSAGERIES MARITIMES COMPANY'S Godown, Praya Central, —
(For Account of whom it may Concern),
THE FOLLOWING
All more or less damaged by Sea Water, Ex S.S. *Capitaine*.
F.L. (Gd. dia), No. 240, 1 Bale FILATURE, A.B. 297/200 - 2 Bales HEMP, H.S. 926, 1 Bale WASTE SILK, B.N. (in dia), 6/7 - 2 Bales WASTE SILK, Also,
At 2 P.M. at the CORMORANT Dock, —
275 Tons CARDIFF COAL,
75 Tons PATENT FUEL.

TERMS OF SALE: Cash before delivery in Bank Notes. All Lots, with all faults and errors of description at Purchaser's risk on the fall of the hammer.
A SPRAY LAUNCH will leave Pedder's Wharf at 1.30 p.m.
J. M. ARMSTRONG, Auctioneer.
Hongkong, December 13, 1886. 2361

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF HONGKONG.

IN BANKRUPTCY.

In the Matter of LEUNG LUNE PO, a Bankrupt.
VALUABLE LEASEHOLD PROPERTY, situate in BONHAM STRAND, Victoria, Hongkong.

TO BE SOLD BY PUBLIC AUCTION, on TUESDAY, the 21st day of December, 1886, at 3 o'clock p.m., at the Premises, by Mr. J. M. ARMSTRONG, Auctioneer.

ALL THAT PIECE OR PARCEL OF GROUND, Situate lying and being at Victoria, known and registered in the LAND OFFICE as Section D of MARINE LOT No. 1. Together with the MESSUAGES, ERECTIONS, and BUILDINGS thereon. The Premises are held for the residue of the term of 999 years created by an Indenture of Crown Lease of the whole of Marine Lot No. 1. Subject to the proportion of Crown Rent and subject also to an Indenture of Mortgage on the whole of Marine Lot No. 1 to secure \$100,000, of which \$11,000 of principal and an arrear of interest and some other Monies are now due (the other \$89,000 being paid, and a payment made to the Mortgagee of \$89,000).

If fewer Shares are applied for than are applied for the balance of the deposit will be applied towards the payment due on allotment. If no Shares are allotted, the deposit will be returned in full.
Hongkong, December 9, 1886. 2341

THE HONGKONG HOTEL COMPANY, LIMITED.

ISSUE OF \$300,000 Seven Dollars per Cent. MORTGAGE DEBENTURES of \$500 each, to be paid off on the 31st day of December, 1899.

Applications are invited for \$200,000 in 87 per cent. Mortgage Debentures of \$500 each. These Debentures are to be repaid by the Company for the purchase of the property previously mentioned.

The Company are doing a large and increasing business as Hotel Keepers and require an extensive amount of property. They are accordingly agreed to purchase the block of buildings situate on the Praya, in the occupation of Messrs. Melchers & Co., and registered in the Land Office as the Remaining Portion of Marine Lot No. 7, for the price of \$192,500. The property is situate on the North side of the Praya, on the South 104 feet or thereabouts, on the East 175 feet or thereabouts, and on the West 175 feet or thereabouts, and it is intended to erect without delay on the said premises a new wing for the Hotel at an estimated cost of not less than \$400,000.

The loan will be secured by a first charge on the said property, which, by a lease dated the 31st December, 1881, was demised to Mr. F. W. Reimers for five years from that date at the annual rental of \$10,000, the Lessee paying in addition rates and taxes. The Debentures will be issued at a premium of \$5 per centum for sums of \$500 each made payable to bearer and carrying interest from the 1st day of January 1887 at the rate of \$7 per centum per annum, payable quarterly on the 31st day of March, the 30th day of June, the 30th day of September and the 31st day of December at the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, Hongkong, or at any of its branches, at the current rate of exchange upon presentation of the coupons attached to the Debentures. The terms of subscription for each Debenture are as follows:—\$5 on application and the balance on allotment, to be paid into the Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corporation, Hongkong.

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The necessary Application Forms can be obtained from the Company's Secretary, or at the Hongkong Hotel.

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The terms and conditions of the Debentures can be seen at the Hotel and at the Office of Messrs. WATSON & DEACON, the Company's Solicitors.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
L. HAUSCHILD, Secretary.
Hongkong, 6th December, 1886. 2326

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For further Particulars, apply to the Captain on Board, or to G. R. LAMBERT, Auctioneer.
Hongkong, December 15, 1886. 2389

Prospectus.

PROSPECTUS OF THE FIRE INSURANCE ASSOCIATION OF SHANGHAI, LIMITED.

CAPITAL, £1,000,000
IN 10,000 SHARES OF £100 EACH, PAID-UP CAPITAL £250,000.

(It being intended to call up only £25 per Share, of which £10 is to be paid on application, and £15 on allotment.)

PROVISIONAL COMMITTEE:
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CAPITAL, £1,700,000
Divided into 17,000 Shares of £100 each, payable as follows:—
\$25 on application and \$75 on allotment.

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In

MEMOS. FOR TO-MORROW.
Shipping.

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4 p.m.—*Peking* leaves for Shanghai.
Gloucester leaves for London.

Amusements.

Victoria Regatta.
Miscellaneous.
Noon.—Local Banks close.
Nominations for Hongkong Derby, 1887, close.
Transfer Books of the Canton Insurance Office, Limited, closed from this date to 31st instant, inclusive.

A. S. WATSON & Co.,
LIMITED.

HAVE NOW RECEIVED THEIR
SEASON'S SUPPLY
OF
CHRISTMAS CONFECTIONERY

—AND—
FIRST SHIPMENT
OF
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NEW PERFUMES,
NEW SWEETS,
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CUT GLASS BOTTLES,
GLOVE AND HANDKERCHIEF BOXES,
BASKETS OF CONFECTIONERY,
CRYSTAL FRUIT,
ORANGES,
&c., &c., &c.

A. S. Watson & Co., Limited,
HONGKONG DISPENSARY.

Hongkong, November 24, 1886. 2235

BIRTH.

At Shanghai, on the 12th December, the
Wife of J. A. HARRIS, of a Son.

DEATHS.

Suddenly, on 7th November, at his residence,
Kowloon, LONDON, DONALD McEWEN,
M.B., M.C.M., late Surgeon-Major
Medical Staff Corps, aged forty-one years.

At Shanghai, on the 11th instant, YOUNG
SANDERSON, of I. M. Customs, aged 65 years.

At Trinity House, Shanghai, on the 10th
instant, MARGARET, youngest daughter of
the late D. F. C. Rankin, Esq., Milan,
Tennessee, U.S.A., aged 25 years, and for
seven years a missionary of the Southern
Methodist Church at Nan-tsang.

The publication of this issue commenced
at 7.50 p.m.

The China Mail.

HONGKONG, FRIDAY, DECEMBER 17, 1886.

TELEGRAMS.

[SUPPLIED TO THE "CHINA MAIL"]
(Via Southern Line.)

SEDITION IN IRELAND.

DILLON ORDERED TO FIND SECURITY.
LONDON, 14th December.

At the Police Court in Dublin the Magistrate has ordered Dillon to find securities for his good behaviour, or, in default, go to prison for six months for inciting to disorder.

[In another column will be found a telegram announcing Dillon's arrest and the charge upon which he has been sentenced.—Ed. "C.M."]

SENTENCE ON THE CAPTAIN OF
THE MORANTON.

The following telegram is taken from the
N.C.D. News:—

Nagasaki, 9th Dec., 12.40 p.m.:
Captain Drake has been sentenced to
three months' imprisonment.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

PASSED SUZ CANAL.

OUTWARD BOUND.—*Despatch*, Oct. 26;
Pandora, Nov. 12; *Patrocinio*, Yangtze;
Peasants, 20; *Benjamin*, Berne; *Gloucester*,
Dec. 7; *Cardigan*, Dec. 14.
HOMeward BOUND.—*Haare*, November 16;
Oxfordshire, 19; *Port Adelaide*, *Masalia*,
20; *Harter*, Westmeath, 30; *Bennet*,
Gloucester, *Chingpo*, *Legon*, 4; *Antonio*,
Dec. 3; *Agave*, *Agave*, *Agave*, *Agave*,
14; *Diomed*, 14.

The P.M.S.S. Co.'s steamer *City of Sydney*, with the *AMERICAN MAIL* of the 20th ult. on board, was to leave Yokohama on the 16th inst. at daylight, and may be expected here on or about the 21st inst.

The Union Line steamer *Tetartus* left Singapore on the 5th inst., and is now due.

The steamer *Tetartus*, from Calcutta, left Singapore on the 5th inst., and is now overdue.

The O.S.S. Co.'s steamer *Prima*, from London, left Singapore on the 9th inst., and may be expected here on or about the 17th inst.

The Glen Line steamer *Glennie*, from London, left Singapore on the 12th inst., and may be expected here on or about the 20th inst.

The O.S.S. Co.'s steamer *Stentor*, from Liverpool, left Singapore on the 15th inst., and may be expected here on or about the 22nd inst.

The O.S.S. Co.'s steamer *Tetartus*, from Liverpool, left Singapore on the 16th inst., and may be expected here on or about the 23rd inst.

The delivery of the English Mail was begun at 1.20 this afternoon.

We ought to have noted the fact that the German gunboat *Wolf*, now in Canton, was about to leave in search of the steamer *D. Beldufo* when that steamer arrived here.

The annual distribution of prizes to the scholars attending St. Joseph's College will take place on Wednesday, the 22nd inst., at 3 p.m. H. E. the Acting Governor will preside.

The traders' junk that was pirated near Swatow some weeks ago was brought into the harbour yesterday in tow of a launch. Two or three dead bodies are said to have been found on board.

Mr. Hurley has taken out an action against the Hongkong Steam Laundry Co. for \$600, a sum which he says is due to him for services rendered during 1886 and accounted for in his work during 1885. The case will be heard on Thursday next.

We have received, from the Agents of the Nord-Deutscher Lloyd (Messrs. Melchers & Co.), a large coloured picture of the steamer *Elbe*, a fine four-masted and double-funnelled craft which belongs to the Norddeutscher Lloyd's fleet of steamers. It is an effective and striking bit of artistic work.

From our Shanghai contemporaries we observe that a big seizure of contraband was made on board the O. M. Co.'s steamer *Fushun* on her arrival at that port from Canton on Thursday, the 9th instant. It appears that on Wednesday night, the Superintendent of the French Police received information from the C. M. S. N. Co. that the *Fushun* was coming up from Canton, and the Captain was aware that the sailors had smuggled fire-arms on board, so the Police were requested to arrest the smugglers when the steamer arrived. The native Detectives and foreign constables were accordingly sent to the Wharf and as the *Fushun* arrived the Police went on board and arrested 34 men, who were sailors, firemen, and cooks, as well as making a big seizure. The men were all looked up at the Station and afterwards sent into the city to be dealt with. It is to be hoped (says the *News*) the authorities will make a severe example of them, for when smuggling is detected, owners of vessels suffer, as the Customs fine the vessels, while the smugglers get off scot free. The ships' officers do their best to prevent the native crews carrying contraband and dutiable articles, but they cannot always be on watch; consequently it frequently happens that all their vigilance is unavailing.

H.M.S. *Merrin* left Shanghai for Port Hamilton on the 9th instant.

The *Happo* says that General Wu Taching has been appointed Governor of Kwangtung Province, but he will not be able to take over the reins of office until next year.

Ma C. M. Ford, H. M.'s Vice Consul, left Shanghai on the 10th instant in the *Nagasaki* for his new post of Acting Consul at Foochow.

H.M.S. *Linnet* arrived at Shanghai from Chienpu on the 12th instant, and reports having experienced snow squalls till within a hundred miles of Shanghai.

The *Shanghai Courier* of the 10th inst. hears that the Chinese Commissioners at Nagasaki have been recalled and that they are expected to arrive there by the next Japanese mail steamer.

H.E. SIGNOR DI LUCA, Italian Minister, will leave Italy early in January for Shanghai and China. He will proceed to Bangkok from Singapore in the *Rapido*, and then go on to Shanghai.—N.C.D. News.

This Italian man-of-war *Rapido* arrived at Shanghai on the 9th instant from Kobe. According to the N.C.D. News she has been in Hongkong on the 29th, and will then proceed north.

The N.C.D. News is given to understand that the authorities at Hankow have let dealers know that it is their intention to impose a new tax of 250 miah per case on Kerosene Oil.

The largest casting which has yet been done in Shanghai took place on the 11th instant at Messrs. Parnham and Co.'s Foundry. The casting was for a propeller for the steamer *Fushun*, and weighed 7 tons. The casting was under the management of Mr. Oswald.

SAYS THE N.C.D. NEWS.—Some time ago there was an outcry in Hongkong about large bank notes being in circulation in the Colony. We learn that some of these notes have found their way to Shanghai. Taken one by one a person would easily discover the fraud, but if counted in a pile of not a few might pass detection. The Police have obtained possession of a couple of the spurious articles.

The numerous friends of Mr. E. T. Smithers, late U.S. Consul-General at Shanghai, says the N.C.D. News, will be glad to see that he has just been appointed U.S. Consul at Tientsin; but an equally large number of residents will regret the appointment, if it means that China is to lose the genial presence of Mr. Bromley, who is now Consul for the U.S. on the Pooi.

Six Gunners' Instructors have been sent to the Chinese Government by the British Admiralty, and they will be placed on board some of the vessels of the Pei-yang fleet, one in each of the three largest ships, and the others in a training ship for a time. Their engagements are for three years, with the option of renewal if their services are required. The Pei-yang fleet will now be at Shanghai for a month or six weeks.—N.C.D. News.

The *Happo* of the 10th instant says that the rebels at Kienghong (Hainan) have been vanquished by General Hung Tze-shan, and they have retreated into the mountains, but there is much sickness in the camp, and General Hung has petitioned the Viceroy Chang Chi-tung to send over some doctors to attend to the sick. About a dozen of these medicines have already been shipped to Hainan, and the salary of each is only ten dollars per month.

The Canton Correspondent of the N.C.D. News writes on the 4th instant says:—Money is urgently needed and money must be obtained in some way, so as to satisfy the demands of the Service. It has therefore been decided by the Government Officials to saddle the already burdened Kerosene oil with an extra duty of sixty cents, that is a little over sixty Mexican cents, and that will thus make the whole duty on Kerosene oil about 85 per cent. Two times this duty will give the Government an increase of revenue it is calculated, of 1,200,000 per annum. It remains to be seen whether the United States Government will allow the extra tax on Kerosene to be levied without protesting against it, as this extra duty is likely to give rise to further expansion of trade in that line.

The L. & O. Express of 15th Nov. has the following:—

We are officially informed that there is no truth in the rumour that Sir George Bowen has resigned the post of Governor of Hongkong, although a rumour has already assigned the post to Sir William Dyke, who was formerly chief whip to the Conservative Party, and afterwards chief secretary to the Lord Lieutenant of Ireland, but who was not included in the present Administration. It is announced from London that Sir

outgoing Governor of Macao leaves today prepared in the hands of his successor the bases of a treaty between China and Portugal, by which the former will recognize Macao as Portuguese territory, will abolish all custom-houses, and exact no duty on merchandise imported into Macao. China will also cede to Portugal a portion of the island of Lapa.

It is, we believe, an error to suppose that all negotiations and relations between China and Portugal have ceased. They have been, or are about to be, resumed, but in a different direction, and the scene on this occasion will probably be Peking and London rather than Rome.

The N.C.D. News has received the following from a gentleman whose knowledge of affairs in these parts is recent years, it says, confirms the rumours which we have heard for some time of the worthlessness of the telegram which was published on Saturday announcing that England had arranged to cede Port Hamilton to China, records one of the most astounding pieces of coyness that politicians have ever committed. There has never to this day been the smallest consideration paid by Great Britain to either China or China for Port Hamilton. It was seized originally under telegraphic instructions from home by the British squadron here as a menace to Russia. Soon after it was seized, Mr. von Mollerndorff visited it in a Chinese gunboat to ask on what terms it belonged to the latter. China has meant while been told by her most trusted naval adviser that as a place of arms it is not worth having.

The following is a detailed description of today's events:—

Friday, 17th December, 1886.

1st RACE.—12.30 p.m.—For Gras pulled by European Non-Commissioned Officers and Men of any Regiment or Corps in Garrison, or by European Members of the Police Force. Distance, One Mile. Entrance, \$1. First Prize, \$15; Second, \$5.

Royal Artillery. The Gunner. The Sapper. The Miner.

A very good start was made. No. 3, the *Janet*, at once came to the front, closely followed by the *Sapper*, while the *Miner* and the *Gunner* fell somewhat behind. This relative position they kept till the end of the race, the *Janet* being the first to cross the line, followed by the *Sapper*, the *Miner*, and the *Gunner*. Time, 8 minutes.

2nd RACE.—1 p.m.—INTERNATIONAL RACE. "CHALLENGER CUP."—For Four Oars. Distance, One Mile. Entrance, \$10.

Station No. 1.—White with Thistle. Bow, G. O. C. Master. 10st. 12lb. No. 2, R. Goodall. 10st. 11lb. No. 3, G. O. Master. 11st. 8lb. No. 4, R. Goodall. 11st. 9lb. Cox, G. A. Caldwell. 8st. 11lb.

Station No. 2.—German Flag. Bow, A. Turner. 11st. 9lb. No. 2, T. Lunn. 11st. 10lb. No. 3, G. W. Lohmann. 11st. 9lb. No. 4, R. Goodall. 11st. 10lb. Cox, J. Wallace. 8st. 11lb.

Station No. 3.—White and Red Sash. Bow, G. O. C. Master. 10st. 12lb. No. 2, H. F. Hayler. 11st. 10lb. No. 3, G. O. C. Master. 10st. 12lb. No. 4, R. Goodall. 11st. 9lb. Cox, W. Stopani. 8st. 11lb.

Up to the last two or three days, the Scotch crew had been decidedly in favour, and neither the English nor German were expected to win. In fact, it was generally supposed that the German crew would be on their feet, all so little confidence in their own powers was felt both by the crew themselves and by their backers. However, yesterday's race, in which Friedrichs proved himself one of the first-class strokes, raised his expectations and the crew was outwitted at the last moment. This morning, too, there were grave doubts as to the reliability of the Scotch crew, a change of stroke having been decided on at the last moment. It was proposed that Goodall should take the *Janet*'s position and take the *Sapper*'s place, and the other two vacated by Goodall. Ultimately, however, after much discussion, it was decided to leave the crew as it was first constituted, and the result showed that this decision was fully justified. When the race started, the betting was largely in favour of the Scotch, but there were also numerous supporters of the English. The race itself was robbed of all excitement by an unfortunate mishap to the English crew, which, for the past three years, has been handicapped by mishap. The boats were sent out in the order of the positions, being on the inside, where the water was least choppy, and the force of the wind was weaker. A few strokes from home, the English boat, through its coxswain trying to get further inside, fouled the German boat, and was again entangled in the stop of a couple of strokes, the foul causing both the English and German boats to fall a short way behind the Scotch boat. Both boats, however, soon recovered their position, and for the first half mile, the German and English boats were kept almost level with the Scotch, and the latter was a length to a length behind. As the half mile post was passed, the English boat commenced to crawl on the Scotch boat, and when the mark was passed, it was only a little more than half a length behind. Just after this, however, the mishap occurred, and the English boat was broken right by the row-locks, and the oars dropped out. The boat was pulled for a few strokes more, but, of course, it was no use continuing the contest. The Scotch then rowed ahead easily, and though the German rowed pluckily and against the tide, they were soon overtaken and the leaders, until only a little over a length divided the boats, the race once more fell to the men from North the Tweed. Time, 7 mins. 28 sec.

3rd RACE.—1.30 p.m.—For Men-of-War's Gigs and Whalers. Distance, One Mile. Entrance, \$1. First Prize, \$20; Second, \$10.

Station No. 1.—Black and Red. Bow, J. L. Lunn. 11st. 12lb. No. 2, G. O. C. Master. 11st. 10lb. No. 3, H. F. Hayler. 11st. 10lb. No. 4, R. Goodall. 11st. 10lb. Cox, M. Frederick. 8st. 11lb.

Station No. 2.—Dark-blue and White. Bow, E. W. Rutter. 10st. 12lb. No. 2, H. F. Hayler. 11st. 10lb. No. 3, J. H. Stewart. 11st. 10lb. No. 4, R. Goodall. 11st. 10lb. Cox, G. A. Caldwell. 8st. 11lb.

Station No. 3.—Light-blue and White. Bow, A. Turner. 11st. 9lb. No. 2, G. W. Lohmann. 11st. 9lb. No. 3, G. O. C. Master. 11st. 9lb. No. 4, R. Goodall. 11st. 10lb. Cox, G. A. Caldwell. 8st. 11lb.

Station No. 4.—Blue and White. Bow, H. F. Wadman. 10st. 12lb. No. 2, R. Kennedy. 11st. 8lb. No. 3, R. E. Withers. 11st. 21lb. No. 4, R. Goodall. 10st. 11lb. Cox, W. Stopani. 8st. 11lb.

Station No. 5.—Yellow and Black. Bow, J. L. Lunn. 10st. 12lb. No. 2, E. O'Connell. 11st. 10lb. No. 3, J. D. Anderson. 11st. 10lb. No. 4, R. Goodall. 11st. 10lb. Cox, J. Wallace. 8st. 11lb.

This was one of the most exciting races of the day. A splendid start was made. Goodall's boat, shot ahead at the very first, followed closely by the *Janet*, the *Sapper*, and the *Miner*. The *Gunner* was a long way behind, and was soon overtaken by the *Janet*. The *Janet* then rowed very hard, and the *Sapper* and the *Miner* were kept close together, but the *Janet* was the first to cross the line, followed by the *Sapper*, the *Miner*, and the *Gunner*. Time, 7 mins. 28 sec.

4th RACE.—2.30 p.m.—MEMBERS' CUP. Presented by Members of the Victoria Recreation Club. For Four Oars. Distance, One Mile and a half. Entrance, \$10.

Station No. 1.—Black and Red. Bow, J. L. Lunn. 11st. 12lb. No. 2, G. O. C. Master. 11st. 10lb. No. 3, H. F. Hayler. 11st. 10lb. No. 4, R. Goodall. 11st. 10lb. Cox, M. Frederick. 8st. 11lb.

Station No. 2.—Dark-blue and White. Bow, E. W. Rutter. 10st. 12lb. No. 2, H. F. Hayler. 11st. 10lb. No. 3, J. H. Stewart. 11st. 10lb. No. 4, R. Goodall. 11st. 10lb. Cox, G. A. Caldwell. 8st. 11lb.

Station No. 3.—Light-blue and White. Bow, A. Turner. 11st. 9lb. No. 2, G. W. Lohmann. 11st. 9lb. No. 3, G. O. C. Master. 11st. 9lb. No. 4, R. Goodall. 11st. 10lb. Cox, G. A. Caldwell. 8st. 11lb.

Station No. 4.—Blue and White. Bow, H. F. Wadman. 10st. 12lb. No. 2, R. Kennedy. 11st. 8lb. No. 3, R. E. Withers. 11st. 21lb. No. 4, R. Goodall. 10st. 11lb. Cox, W. Stopani. 8st. 11lb.

Station No. 5.—Yellow and Black. Bow, J. L. Lunn. 10st. 12lb. No. 2, E. O'Connell. 11st. 10lb. No. 3, J. D. Anderson. 11st. 10lb. No. 4, R. Goodall. 11st. 10lb. Cox, J. Wallace. 8st. 11lb.

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5th RACE.—2.30 p.m.—To be Rowed in 5 or 6-BOATED RIGS. For Four Oars. Distance, One Mile and a half. Entrance, \$10.

Station No. 1.—Black and Red. Bow, J. L. Lunn. 11st. 12lb. No. 2, G. O. C. Master. 11st. 10lb. No. 3, H. F. Hayler. 11st. 10lb. No. 4, R. Goodall. 11st. 10lb. Cox, M. Frederick. 8st. 11lb.

Station No. 2.—Dark-blue and White. Bow, E. W. Rutter. 10st. 12lb. No. 2, H. F. Hayler. 11st. 10lb. No. 3, J. H. Stewart. 11st. 10lb. No. 4, R. Goodall. 11st. 10lb. Cox, G. A. Caldwell. 8st. 11lb.

Station No. 3.—Light-blue and White. Bow, A. Turner. 11st. 9lb. No. 2, G. W. Lohmann. 11st. 9lb. No. 3, G. O. C. Master. 11st. 9lb. No. 4, R. Goodall. 11st. 10lb. Cox, G. A. Caldwell. 8st. 11lb.

Station No. 4.—Blue and White. Bow, H. F. Wadman. 10st. 12lb. No. 2, R. Kennedy. 11st. 8lb. No. 3, R. E. Withers. 11st. 21lb. No. 4, R. Goodall. 10st. 11lb. Cox, W. Stopani. 8st. 11lb.

Station No. 5.—Yellow and Black. Bow, J. L. Lunn. 10st. 12lb. No. 2, E. O'Connell. 11st. 10lb. No. 3, J. D. Anderson. 11st. 10lb. No. 4, R. Goodall. 11st. 10lb. Cox, J. Wallace. 8st. 11lb.

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6th RACE.—2.30 p.m.—To be Rowed in 5 or 6-BOATED RIGS. For Four Oars. Distance, One Mile and a half. Entrance, \$10.

Station No. 1.—Black and Red. Bow, J. L. Lunn. 11st. 12lb. No. 2, G. O. C. Master. 11st. 10lb. No. 3, H. F. Hayler. 11st. 10lb. No. 4, R. Goodall. 11st. 10lb. Cox, M. Frederick. 8st. 11lb.

Station No. 2.—Dark-blue and White. Bow, E. W. Rutter. 10st. 12lb. No. 2, H. F. Hayler. 11st. 10lb. No. 3, J. H. Stewart. 11st. 10lb. No. 4, R. Goodall. 11st. 10lb. Cox, G. A. Caldwell. 8st. 11lb.

Station No. 3.—Light-blue and White. Bow, A. Turner. 11st. 9lb. No. 2, G. W. Lohmann. 11st. 9lb. No. 3, G. O. C. Master. 11st. 9lb. No. 4, R. Goodall. 11st. 10lb. Cox, G. A. Caldwell. 8st. 11lb.

Station No. 4.—Blue and White. Bow, H. F. Wadman. 10st. 12lb. No. 2, R. Kennedy. 11st. 8lb. No. 3, R. E. Withers. 11st. 21lb. No. 4, R. Goodall. 10st. 11lb. Cox, W. Stopani. 8st. 11lb.

Station No. 5.—Yellow and Black. Bow, J. L. Lunn. 10st. 12lb. No. 2, E. O'Connell. 11st. 10lb. No. 3, J. D. Anderson. 11st. 10lb. No. 4, R. Goodall. 11st. 10lb. Cox, J. Wallace. 8st. 11lb.

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7th RACE.—2.30 p.m.—To be Rowed in 5 or 6-BOATED RIGS. For Four Oars. Distance, One Mile and a half. Entrance, \$10.

Station No. 1.—Black and Red. Bow, J. L. Lunn. 11st. 12lb. No. 2, G. O. C. Master. 11st. 10lb. No. 3, H. F. Hayler. 11st. 10lb. No. 4, R. Goodall. 11st. 10lb. Cox, M. Frederick. 8st. 11lb.

Station No. 2.—Dark-blue and White. Bow, E. W. Rutter. 10st. 12lb. No. 2, H. F. Hayler. 11st. 10lb. No. 3, J. H. Stewart. 11st. 10lb. No. 4, R. Goodall. 11st. 10lb. Cox, G. A. Caldwell. 8st. 11lb.

Station No. 3.—Light-blue and White. Bow, A. Turner. 11st. 9lb. No. 2, G. W. Lohmann. 11st. 9lb. No. 3, G. O. C. Master. 11st. 9lb. No. 4, R. Goodall. 11st. 10lb. Cox, G. A. Caldwell. 8st. 11lb.

Station No. 4.—Blue and White. Bow, H. F. Wadman. 10st. 12lb. No. 2, R. Kennedy. 11st. 8lb. No. 3, R. E. Withers. 11st. 21lb. No. 4, R. Goodall. 10st. 11lb. Cox, W. Stopani. 8st. 11lb.

Station No. 5.—Yellow and Black. Bow, J. L. Lunn. 10st. 12lb. No. 2, E. O'Connell. 11st. 10lb. No. 3, J. D. Anderson. 11st. 10lb. No. 4, R. Goodall. 11st. 10lb. Cox, J. Wallace. 8st. 11lb.

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8th RACE.—2.30 p.m.—To be Rowed in 5 or 6-BOATED RIGS. For Four Oars. Distance, One Mile and a half. Entrance, \$10.

Station No. 1.—Black and

